that language. The Director, however, adds tha
as Headmaster.

With regard to Tamil text-books, you
books that are used in British India. It has not
be examiners for the special examination in Tam
books will also be prescribed.

117. The grant of educational concession

Mr. Kandan Kumaran (Member, Nomina
Hindu and a Paraya by caste, that his communi
1,25,000, and that even now his people endured
passage along public roads, and of approaching cou
that the members of his community might also be
as such. As, during the last two or three years
his community in the Assembly, the Member sa
had become converts to Christianity.

The Member then made the following su
of Government.

(1) As there were practically none am
English education, Government should grant sch
one Paraya student in each taluk.

(2) Pupils from his community, who
vernacular schools might be allowed to appear
abscond time, in consideration of their poverty and
securing accommodation for study near education
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(3) Pupils belonging to his communi
de gher class, if they secured not less than 30
10 any subject.
within

(4) Due encouragement mig

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recently sses VI and VII, sted that, since the local Vernacular Middle School ha d been allisseri, the building in which that school had been held, which was s ugh, could be utilised for holding the English High School, gaining thereby tion De n of Rs. 300 per annum on account of the rent that was being paid for the present Girls' School building. The Member requested that the local English Middle School for Girls might, therefore, be shifted to the above-mentioned building and that higher classes might be opened in the school from the beginning of the next school year.

Dewan's reply.—For the English Middle School, new buildings will have to be constructed. Until that is done, the school has to remain where it is at present.

120. Evils of the present system of education in Travancore and some suggestions for remedying them, with special reference to the conditions of Shertallai.

Mr. Narayanan Madhavan Karta (Member, Shertallai Taluk) first pointed out certain evils which had resulted from raising the standard of vernacular schools up to class IX and from the policy of issuing Vernacular School Leaving Certificates and Vernacular Higher Certificates to candidates. As all those young men were not able to secure employment, they resorted to all sorts of devices to earn their livelihood, *e. g.*, by starting the so-called Joint Stock Companies, conducting sectarian meetings and partaking in extremist politics, which generally ended in failure, leading at times to disastrous results. To remedy the defects of the present system of vernacular education, the Member suggested that vernacular education need be encouraged only up to class IV, and that the schools conducted by the department or private agencies should be handed over to Education Boards or Village Panchayats to be constituted in every village. If necessary a cess might be levied to cover the cost of maintenance. The vernacular classes from V to VII should be amalgamated with English schools. More English Middle Schools should be started

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The Membe[illegible] in vernacular sch[illegible]dren[illegible]ary pupils in regard to such education. Vernacular education is put in 10 years [illegible]y th[illegible]n of your community at present than English education.

He next [illegible]f suit the pupils of your community who fail in their examinations opined that te[illegible]hich could again privately. In regard to that matter also I cannot schools. There is no facility for private education among the

Regardin[illegible]ber represente[illegible] Seeing that the children of your community are at Governmen[illegible]cardship and req[illegible] do not see why they should not go to schools and Higher Examina[illegible] places in the hig[illegible]ber conclu[illegible]fo[illegible] by re[illegible] community who[illegible] school pupils lies in the matter of putting in their

[illegible]rs at a dista[illegible] from [illegible] maximum marks in [illegible] promotion to [illegible] on in[illegible]at taluk ha[illegible] of co[illegible]me education in your community, and if

[illegible]he abolition [illegible] during but remain at home, they will not be fit for a nu[illegible] *Dewan's re*[illegible] you as much as possible; but Govern-

on the evils of the [illegible] [illegible]ard hypothetical cases. If the candi-

policy which is both[illegible] [illegible] examinations [illegible] sess VI and VII to the [illegible] examinations, Government will, no

public opinion in wh[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this, *viz.*, that primar[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] be th[illegible] and that primary ed[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

matters, a certain amount of local co-operation is not misplac ions and make them would make the money go farther than it otherwise does. ed the appointment

As regards a Vernacular Middle School, you are entitled vocational education if you build a school and conform to the conditions laid ort of that body of will be sanctioned. versity Committee also.

In regard to factories, you say that you brough guage and arithmetic up to year. I do not remember it. Factories are, under t eate a desire in the minds s of to the inspection of District Magistrates, and if ical education at a later stage. District Magistrates have the power to enforce th ity to the provisions of the Regulation. s should be opened for tra hat he gning in working in these factories, no doubt a nigh spectively, and selection e subjects should be already said in reply to another member, we to the heredity, in elligen early age and taste encouragement to such institutions. You reply. a night school. nity.

119. Removal of the Chengannur En rds the ve payment of fees, ig theoretical instruc- formerly as the Vernacular Middle S sons bit reasonab classes.

The *Mr. Krishnan Velayudhan* ing su *Member*.—The difficulty for the mediate appoi ne of Governm the necessity of establishing the dance. and indust lays said that an English Midd ow the local needs of every or study, t their (1) that orm III was opene none amounting inconveniance to the pu e out to help English educies, Pa ucation was increa grant sc agistrates' courts and the Popl extent. uto the one Para elf were cre ed then referred to the several c you put forwa inted during tha amil Middle v, who on, *viz.*, the Education Commit ara and Trivan- ernacula nent Board, Committee mination in ti more lands under cultivation in ould be only one dto part- cond t, Kottarakara, Pattanapuram the n made Taluks, etc., and obser z., the one at Tra van- curir policy was productive of useful re the need for dvance the prosperity ls available should be ple. He next spoke about the following Tami laboured under certain

1. *Agricultural loans.* The Member stated that the people had not understock properly owing several vantages or usefulness of such loans and suggested that, to bring the benefitsification required for the measure within the reach of a larger number of agriculturists, respecta of the qualification non-officials might be empowered to certify that the applicants were poor *bona fi* the required degree agriculturists and thus help the Revenue Department in the grant of loans. hen stated that the

2. *Irrigation Conference.* The Member pointed out that means should ired to give model found for utilising the surplus and seepage water from the Kodayar, which was no of such high class running to waste, and proposed that a conference of Irrigation officers might ber was of opinion arranged to be held for suggesting the necessary measures. Mr. V. Arunachalam required knowledge. Aiyar, Executive Engineer, was familiar with the subject and knew the importance o K. S. Sankararama such a Conference. handle the Tamil was unacceptable.

3. *Water-supply to the town of Nagercoil.* The Member said that the long nt as half-hearted felt absence of fresh water in and about Nagercoil had been a matter of represent on the necessity ation at several sessions of the Assembly and that the question was being delayed as the Headmaster too long. He observed that the surplus fund in the Municipality supplemented by Gov il institution and ernmental contribution would be sufficient to meet the demand, and that, even other- the Member said, wise, a loan which might be raised for the purpose could be easily repaid in the course ber concluded by of 50 years by means of water-tax. As no settlement had been arrived at in the mat s in taluks with ter; the Member suggested the appointment of a Committee with Mr. K. V. Natesa d out Alleppey Aiyar, Chief Engineer, as President, to find ways and means for the speedy exe- chools. cution of the scheme.

4. *Vadivisvaram Tank.* The Member said that that tank stood in need of s in Alleppey urgent repair, that representations to the Municipality and the Government had here must be not so far been fruitful, and that the tank in question, used by thousands of people, was we can start deteriorating day by day. When representations were made, Government said that d perhaps it was a work for the Municipality to take up, while the Municipality said that it was which you a temple tank, and the Maramat Department stated that it was an irrigation tank. hat Mala- m is the that a id hence

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